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### DECISION

Western Resource Advocates	:	Protest to the Inclusion of Parcels
c/o Joro Walker	:	UT009 & UT009A in the August 15, 2006
PO Box 118 / 101 Main Street	:	Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale
Bluff, Utah 84512		

### Protest Dismissed

On June 30, 2006, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) issued its Notice of Competitive Lease Sale (NCLS) thereby providing notice to the public that certain parcels of land would be offered in a competitive oil and gas lease sale scheduled for August 15, 2006.

In a letter received by the BLM dated July 31, 2006, the Western Resource Advocates<sup>1</sup> (WRA) protested parcels UT009 & UT009A. On September 20, 2006, the leases were rejected on parcels UT009 & UT009A. The WRA protest is therefore dismissed as moot.

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 C.F.R. Part 4 and instructions contained in Form 1842-1 (Enclosure 1). If an appeal is taken, the notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the address shown on the enclosed Form) within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition for a stay pursuant to 43 C.F.R. Part 4, Subpart B § 4.21, during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition must show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

### Standards for Obtaining a Stay

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulations, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall be evaluated based on the following standards:

1. The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied;
2. The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits;
3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted; and
4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

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<sup>1</sup> WRA submitted their protest on behalf of the Friends of the Great Salt Lake.

Copies of the notice of appeal, petition for stay, and statement of reasons also must be submitted to the Office of the Regional Solicitor, Intermountain Region, 125 South State Street, Suite 6201, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138, at the same time the original documents are filed in this office.

If you have any questions, contact Pam Schuller of this office at (801) 539-4050.

/s/ Juan Palma

Juan Palma  
State Director

Enclosure

1. Form 1842-1

cc: James Karkut, Office of the Solicitor, Intermountain Region,  
125 South State Street, Suite 6201, Salt Lake City, UT 84138